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Town of Duxbury Community Preservation Committee

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The Duxbury Community Preservation Committee met on Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Duxbury Town Hall Mural Room and via ZOOM.

Members Present: Chair; Holly Morris, Vice Chair; Tag Carpenter, Kathy Cross, Tony Kelso, Bri Leing (via ZOOM), Kathy Palmer, and David Utti

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Nancy Rufo, Conservation Administrator (via ZOOM), and Debbie Ballem, Principal Assistant

Selectboard Liaison Present: Cynthia Ladd Fiorini

Holly Morris called the Community Preservation Committee to order at 9:04 a.m. and read the following preamble:

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, this meeting will be conducted in person and, as a courtesy, via remote means in accordance with applicable law. Please note that while an option for remote attendance and/or participation is being provided, the meeting/hearing will not be suspended or terminated if there are technological problems, unless required by law.

Roll call vote of members present: Bri Leing, yes; Tag Carpenter, yes; Tony Kelso, yes; Kathy Palmer, yes; Kathy Cross, yes; Holly Morris, yes

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Holly Morris asked the Committee if CPC meeting time could be moved up to 8:30 a.m. going forward. Members of the Committee discussed and agreed to change the meeting time to 8:30 a.m.

Tag Carpenter made a motion, seconded by Tony Kelso, to change the CPC meeting time to 8:30 a.m. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote; Bri Leing, aye; Tag Carpenter, aye; Tony Kelso, aye; Kathy Palmer, aye; Kathy Cross, aye; Holly Morris, aye. Motion carried 6-0

PROJECT UPDATES

Envision Duxbury Action Items

Committee members reviewed Action Items and Holly Morris noted that 3% surcharge passed and that Action Item is completed. Committee members discussed Action Items that are designated to CPC as "owner" or "lead" that are more appropriate for other departments or committees. Committee members will discuss with department heads the possibility of reassigning some action items and designating CPC as "support", rather than owner or lead.

Holly Morris stated that it would be beneficial for a member of the Recreation Department to attend CPC meetings since CPC funds are often used for recreation purposes. Ms. Fiorini agreed this was a good idea and stated she will check with Rene Read, Town Manager and the Selectboard on approving a member.

Delorenzo Farm

878 Tremont Street, Duxbury, MA 02332; Telephone: 781-934-1100 x 5471; Fax: 781-934-1137

Nancy Rufo updated the Committee on progress at the farm. Brett Sovick reports produce crops are growing and he is making connections with local businesses. There are four honeybee hives which are expected to produce a good honey crop and chickens will be brought to the farm soon. Fencing will be installed around the produce fields and DPW will help dig trenches for irrigation. Ms. Rufo noted that Brett Sovick and the farm were featured in *Greet* magazine. Ms. Rufo requested that Mr. Sovick notify her when there is going to be press about the farm, as the land is owned and managed by the Conservation Department. Ms. Rufo informed the Committee there is an informal ZOOM meeting held every Monday at 11:00 a.m. to discuss progress at Delorenzo Farm with Brett Sovick. Several Committee members expressed interest in attending the weekly ZOOM meeting and conducting an onsite visit in the fall.

761 Temple/Isaac Simmons Farm

Tag Carpenter informed the Committee that the 761 Temple property sold just within the FY23 deadline. Mr. Carpenter mentioned one of the issues holding up the sale was the insurance agreement, as the property will be used for commercial purposes, not residential. Committee members discussed bringing this issue forward to the next Town meeting to avoid transaction delays in future.

MBTA Communities

This item was added to the agenda erroneously.

(David Utti arrived to the meeting at 9:55 a.m.)

Pilgrim Church Clock Repair

Holly Morris shared information regarding an estimate she received regarding the Pilgrim Church clock repair. Ms. Ballem will scan and email these documents to all Committee members.

ADJOURNMENT

Tag Carpenter made a motion, seconded by Tony Kelso, to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote; Bri Leing, aye; Tag Carpenter, aye; Tony Kelso, aye; Kathy Palmer, aye; Kathy Cross, aye; Holly Morris, aye. Motion carried 6-0

The next Community Preservation Committee meeting is on August 17, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.